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The following tabulation of magnesium deliveries by East German magnesium plants in 1953 was prepared by the Ministry for Heavy Machinery on 15 October 1953. The DHZ Nichteisenmetalle (East German Trade Central for Nonferrous Metals) and the VEB Leichtmetallwerk Rackwitz (Rackwitz Light Metal Works) were able to furnish the amounts of magnesium listed, but the Elektrochemisches Kombinat Bitterfeld was believed able to furnish only a total of 37 tons of magnesium in the fourth quarter of 1953. All quantities listed are in tons.

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Foundry	Supplying Plant	Former Quota	Realised Quota	Unfilled Quota	Old Production	New Production	New Quota	
MEGU Dres	den Bitterfeld	213.19	79.85	(43.34) 133.34	270	200	123.19	
	DHZ	17.24)	4. 4.	(9.70)			17.24	
	Rackwitz	69.72) 300.15	77.26 157.11	9.70			69.72 210.15	
Harlass (Bitterfeld	69.9	16.5	(8.4) 53.4	90	55	24.9	
	DHZ	5.6}	22.3	(7.9) 7.9			5.6	
	Rackwitz	24.5)	38.8	7•9		• . •	24.5 55.0	
Wernigerod	le Bitterfeld	195.66	93.24	(37.42) 102.42	250	200	130.66	
	DHZ	13.00)	72.79	(8.82) 8.82			13.00	
	Rackwitz	68.61) 277.27	166.03	8.82			68.61 212.27	
TOTALS:	Bitterfeld	478.75	189.59	(88:18)	610	455	278.75	
	DHZ	35.84)		• •		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	35.84	
	Rackwitz	162.83) 677.42	172.35	(26.42) 26.42			162.83 477.42	

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Comment: It appears that the magnesium electrolytical plant at the Bitterfeld Electrochemical Combine had not been completed by October 1953. The MEGU (Metallguss-Gesellschaft) foundries in Dresden and Wernigerode are controlled by the Ministry for Heavy Machinery. The foundry at Harlass is reported for the first time. The figures in parentheses are believed to refer to backlogs in the delivery of magnesium quotas allocated for the preceding time period.

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